



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Masatoshi NAKATSU et al.

Group Art Unit: 3611

Application No.: 10/615,018

Examiner: A. Lerner

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For: VEHICLE STEERING APPARATUS

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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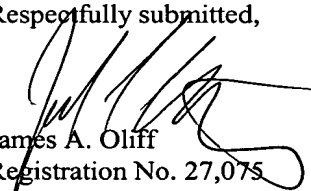
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired June 22, 2004, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 155457 in the amount of \$110 in payment for:

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